MEDBAY

I HOPE THERE ARE STILL SOME MANANAS LEFT...

NOW
THAT I KNOW
HOW TO MAKE
CHOCOLATE, I WANT
TO TRY ADDING IT TO
MY MANANA MUFFIN
RECIPE!

SOMETHING TELLS ME IT'LL BE GO--!!
SHING!

IF YOU SCREAM, ILL CUT YOUR THROAT.
UNDERSTAND?

NOD

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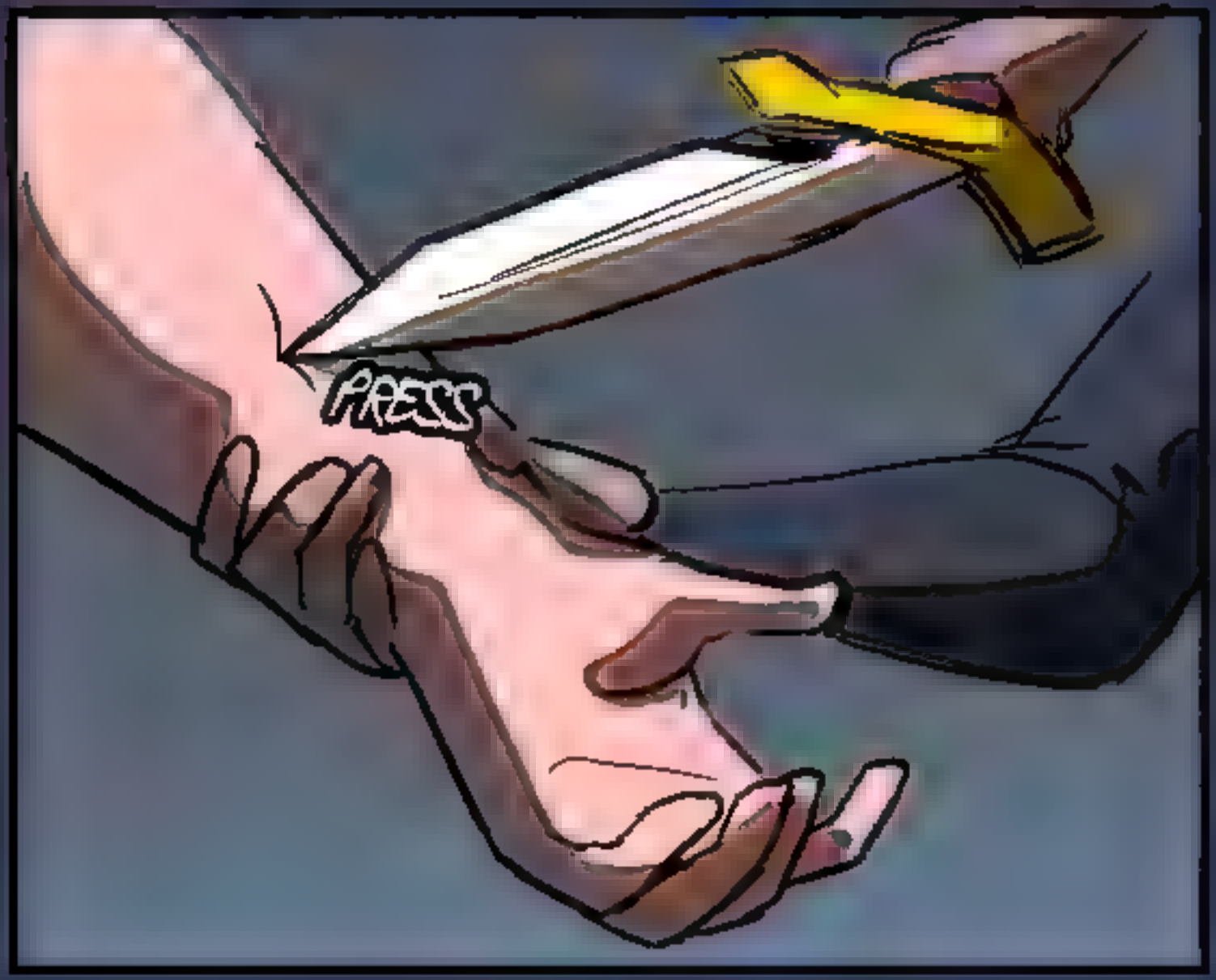
" I FOUND "

NOW
TELL ME:

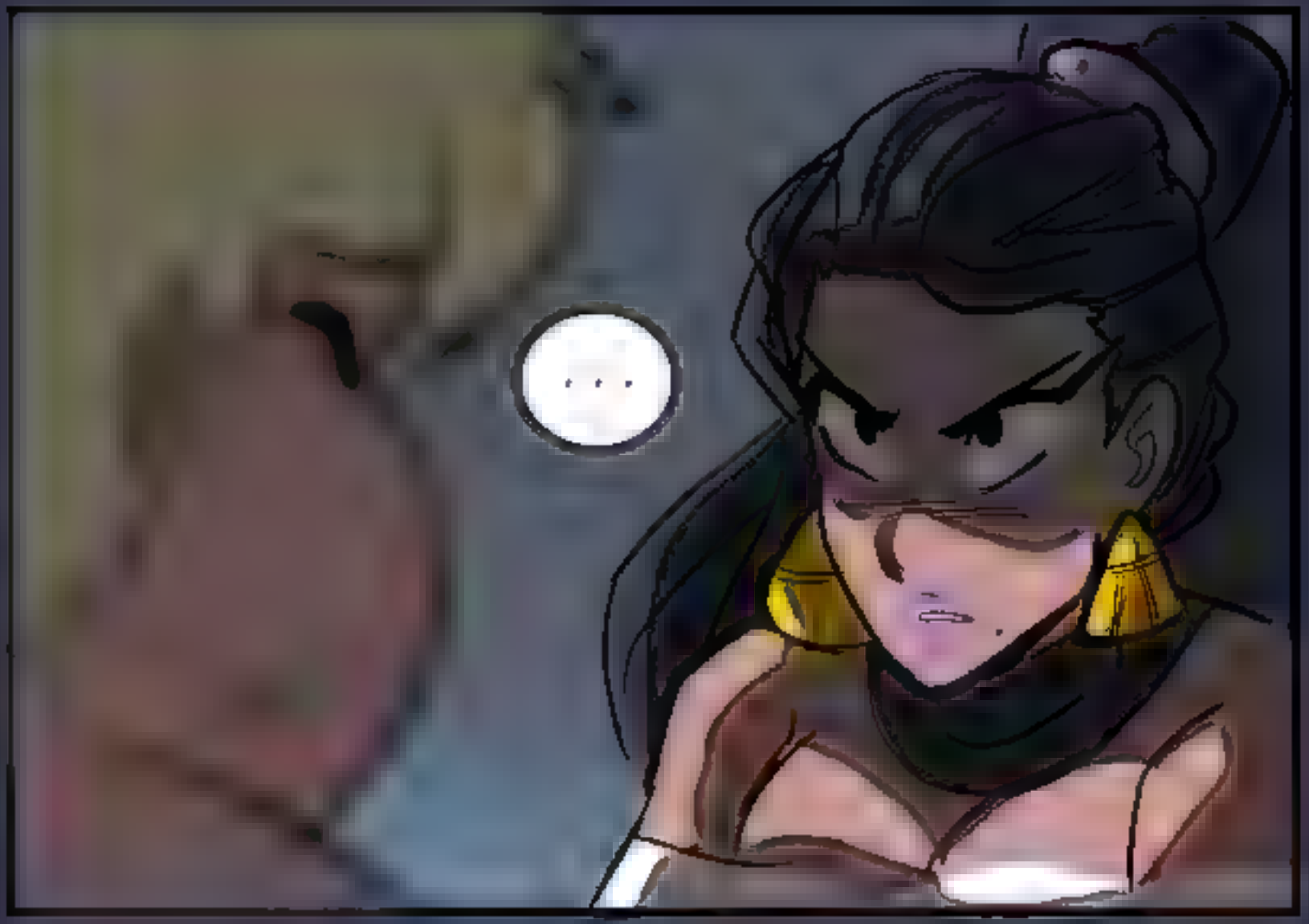
DO YOU RECOGNIZE THIS KNIFE?

UH...NO?
DON'T LIE. I KNOW YOU LEFT THE MESSAGE ON KODY.
WHAT MESSA--
LIKE

THIS!
YANK


PRESS

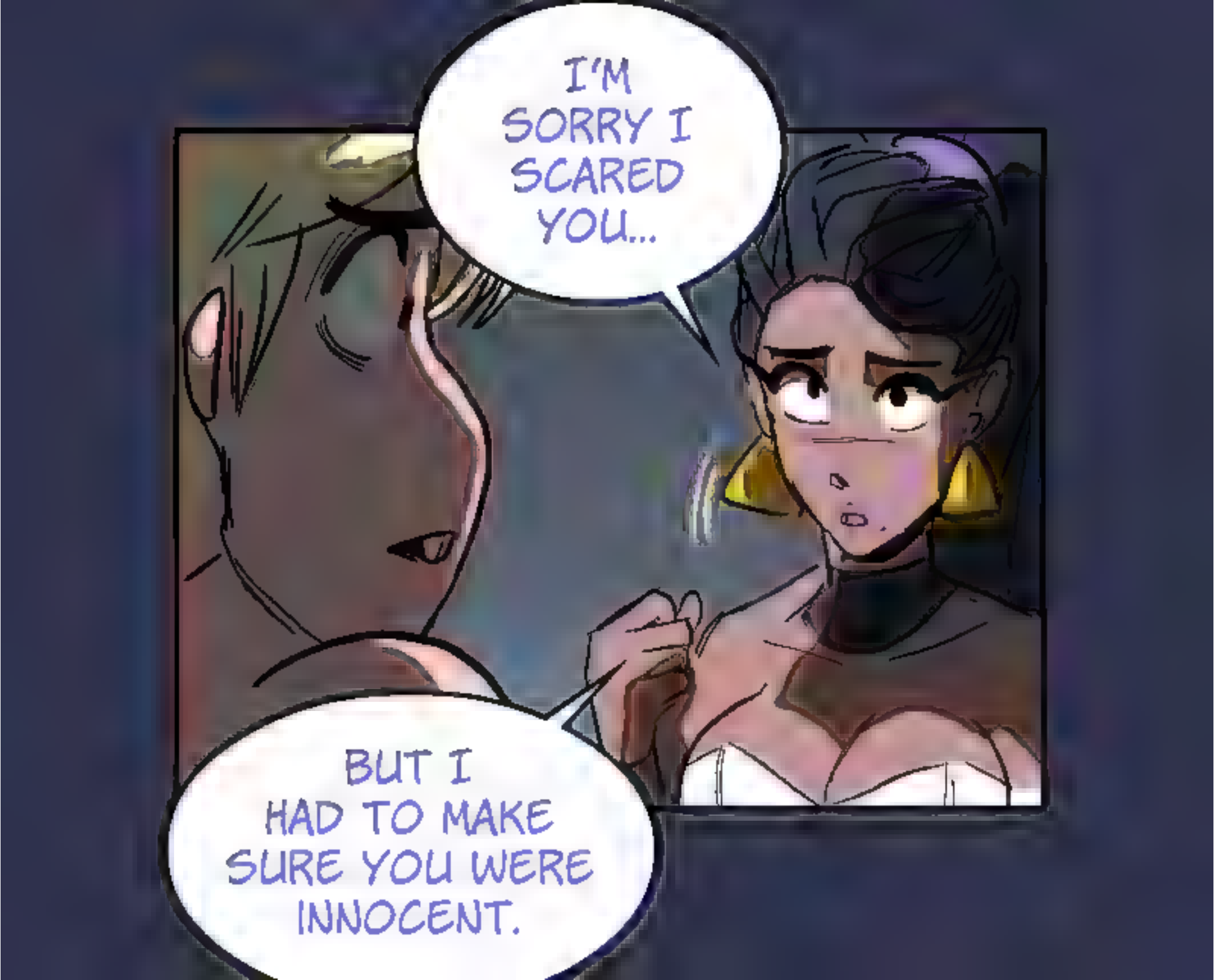
NO, PLEASE!
I REALLY DON'T
KNOW WHAT YOU'RE
TALKING ABOUT!



RELEASE

SIGH
MY SENSES TELL ME YOU'RE BEING HONEST.

OF COURSE I AM!!
WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT?!


I'M SORRY I SCARED YOU...
BUT I HAD TO MAKE SURE YOU WERE INNOCENT.

INNOCENT OF WHAT?

SOMEONE CARVED A MESSAGE INTO KODYA'S ARM.

"YOU'RE NEXT"
WHAT DOES THAT SOUND LIKE TO YOU?
UH... A THREATENING MESSAGE?

IT DOES, DOESN'T IT?
AND YET SOMEHOW...

I FEEL LIKE THERE'S MORE TO IT THAN THAT.

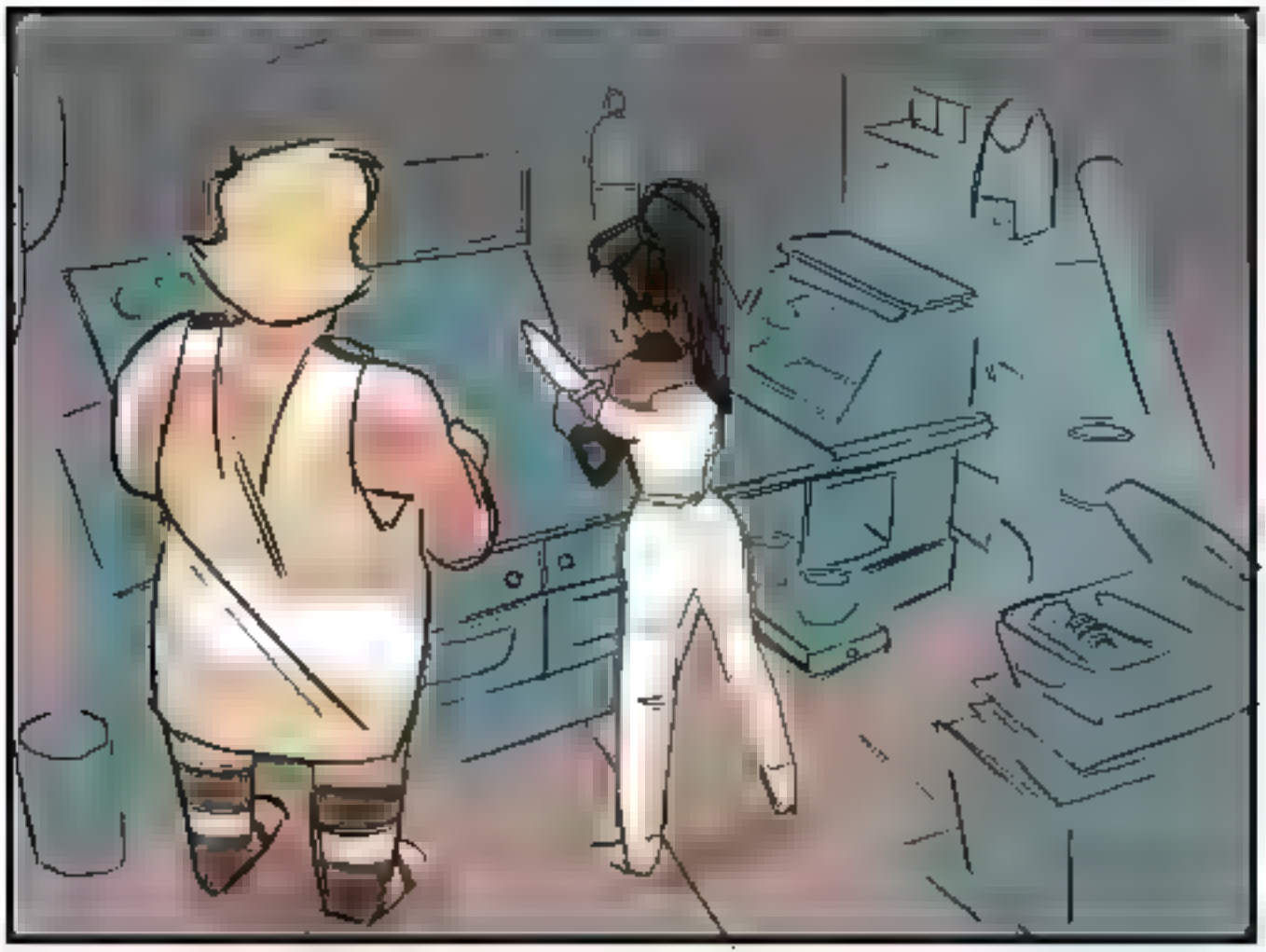
THIS IS REALLY GIVING ME THE CREEPS!
HMM...

HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE YOU AMBUSHED IN HERE ANYWAY?
JUST YOU.

AND I'M GLAD YOU'RE INNOCENT.
BECAUSE I NEED YOUR HELP.

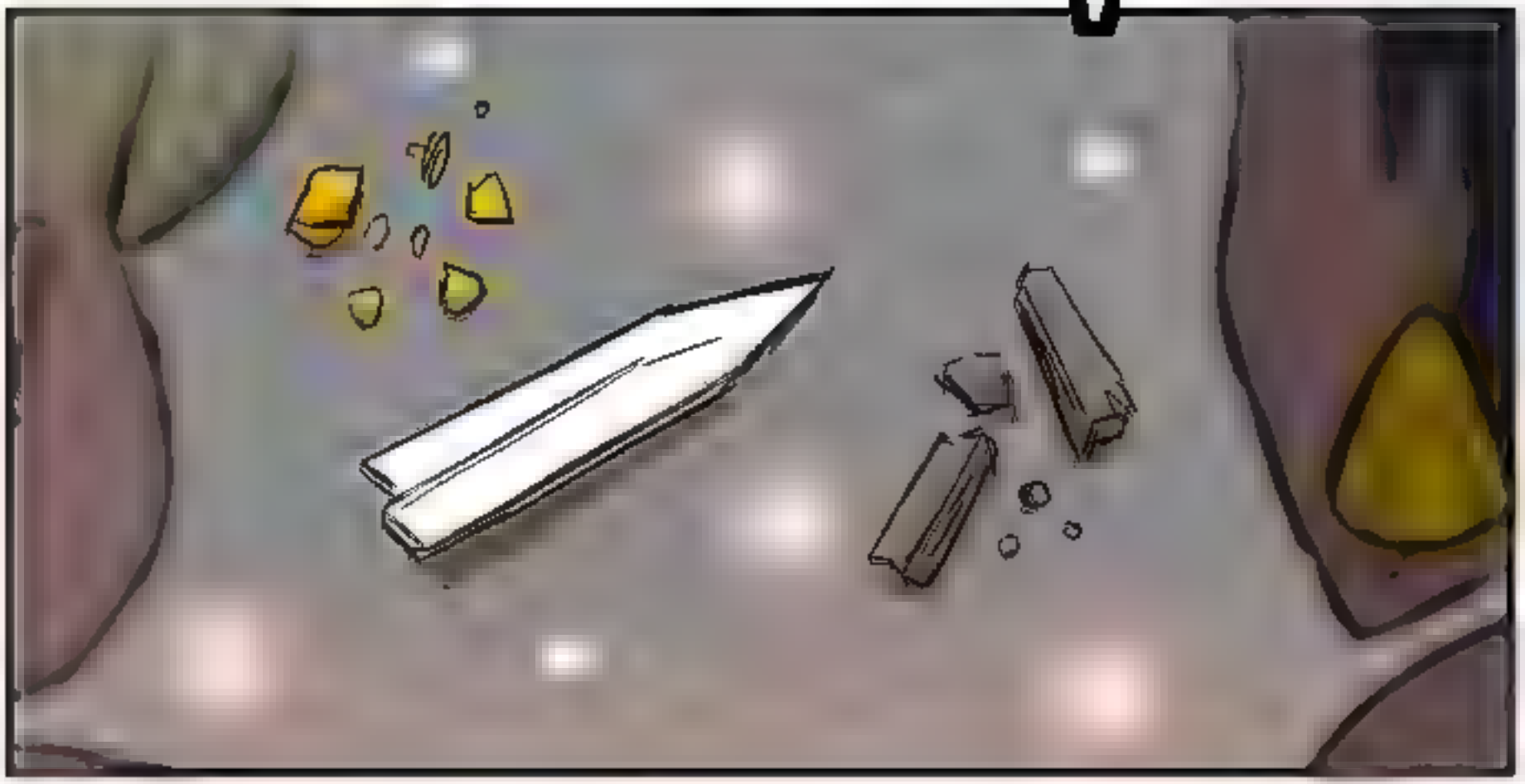
GULP

RELAX, I'M NOT GOING TO HURT YOU.
I WANT YOU TO TELL ME WHAT THIS KNIFE IS MADE OF.
I HAVE A FEELING IT'S IMPORTANT.



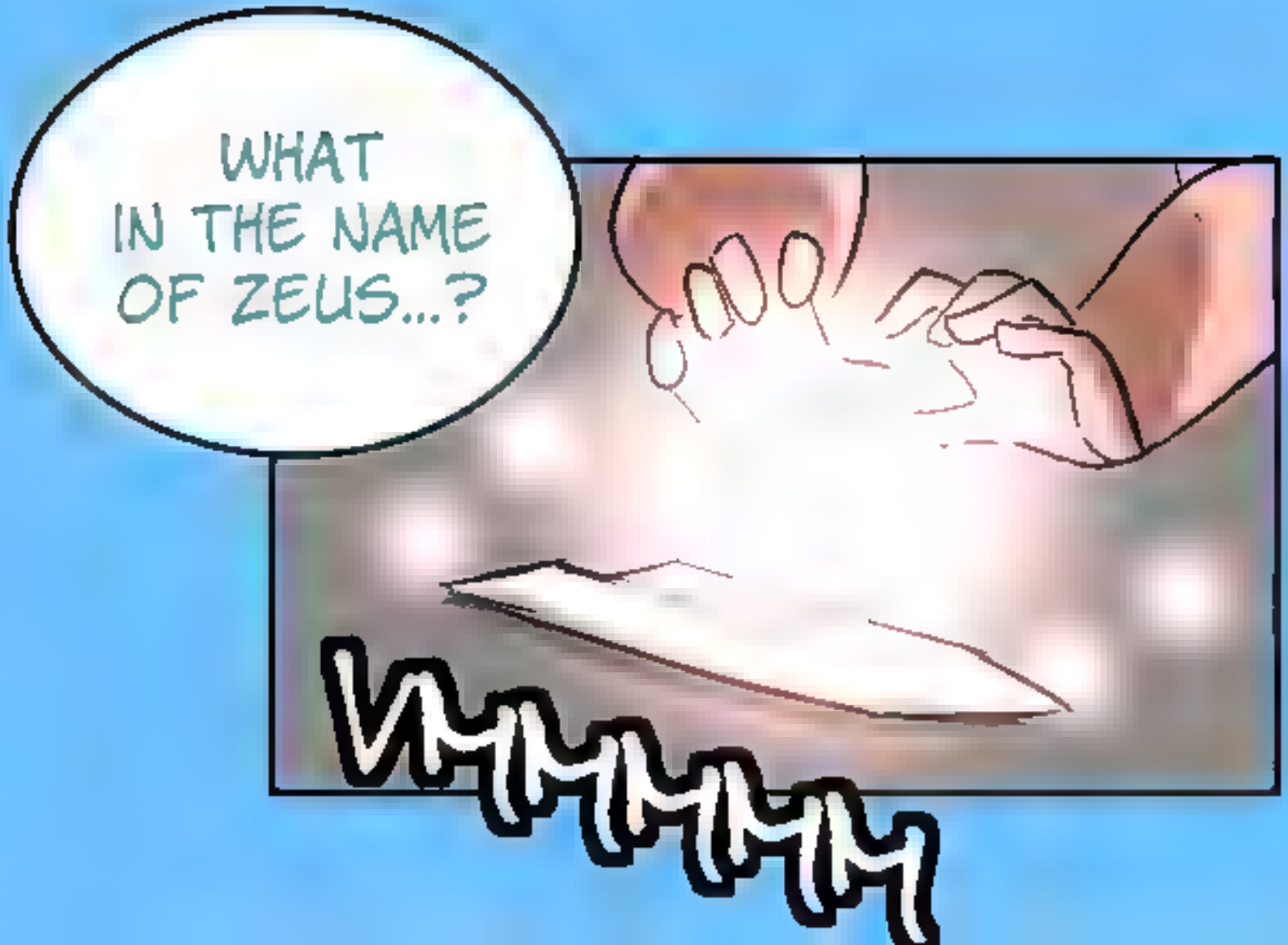
I'M GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE IT APART...
THAT'S FINE.

Mmmm



HUH... THAT'S WEIRD.

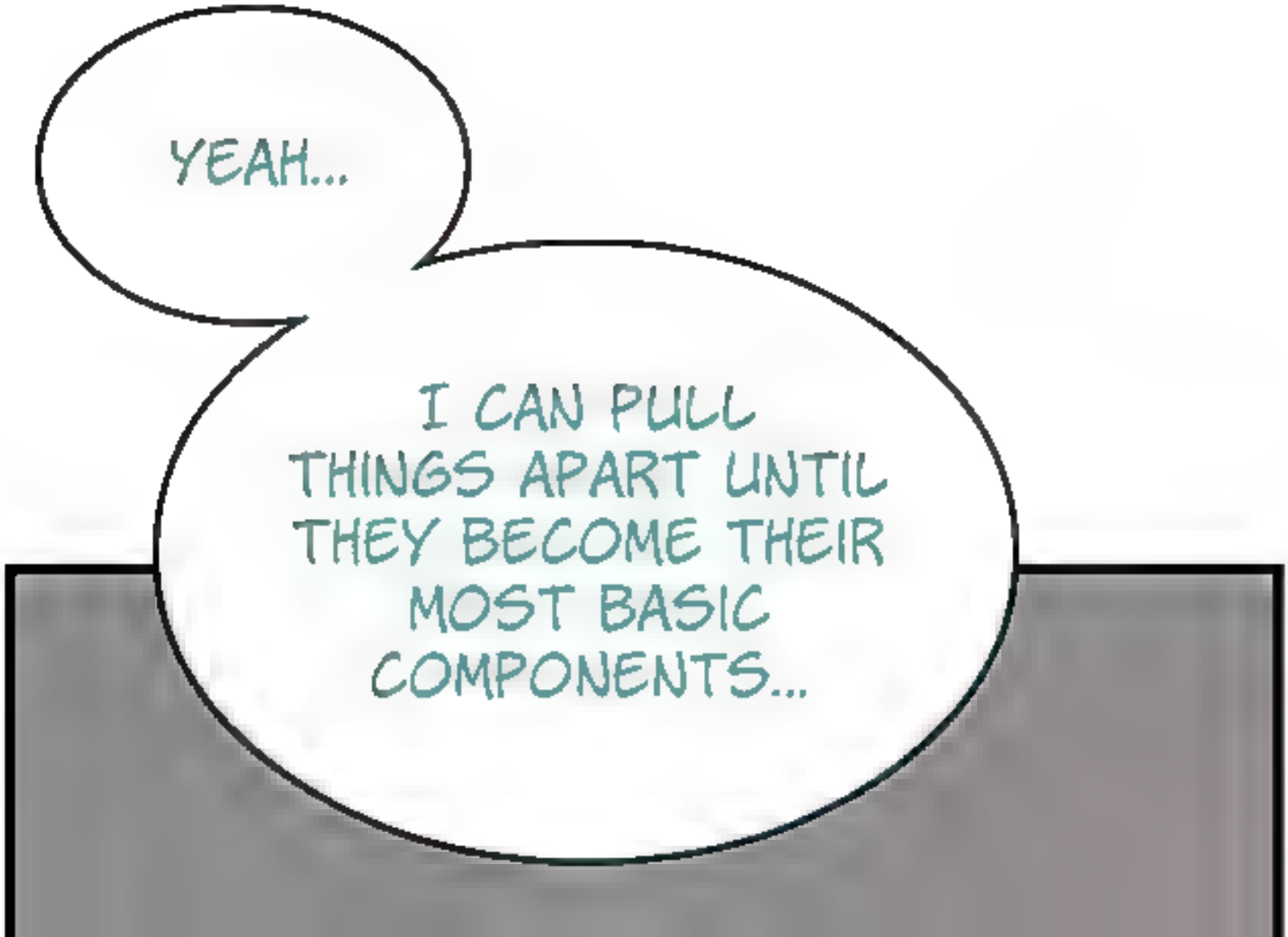
THE BLADE WON'T DIVIDE.

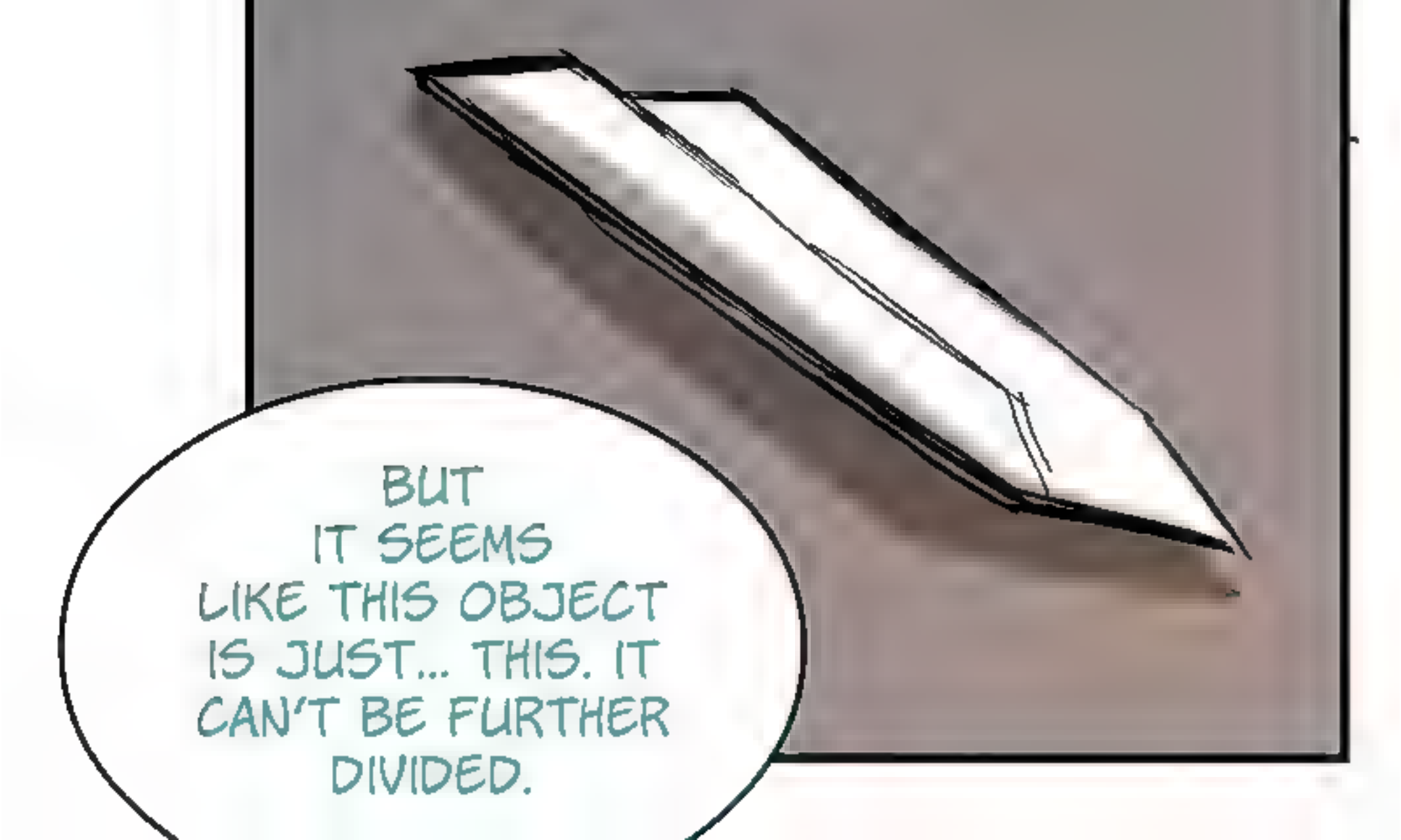

WHAT IN THE NAME OF ZEUS...?
Hmmm

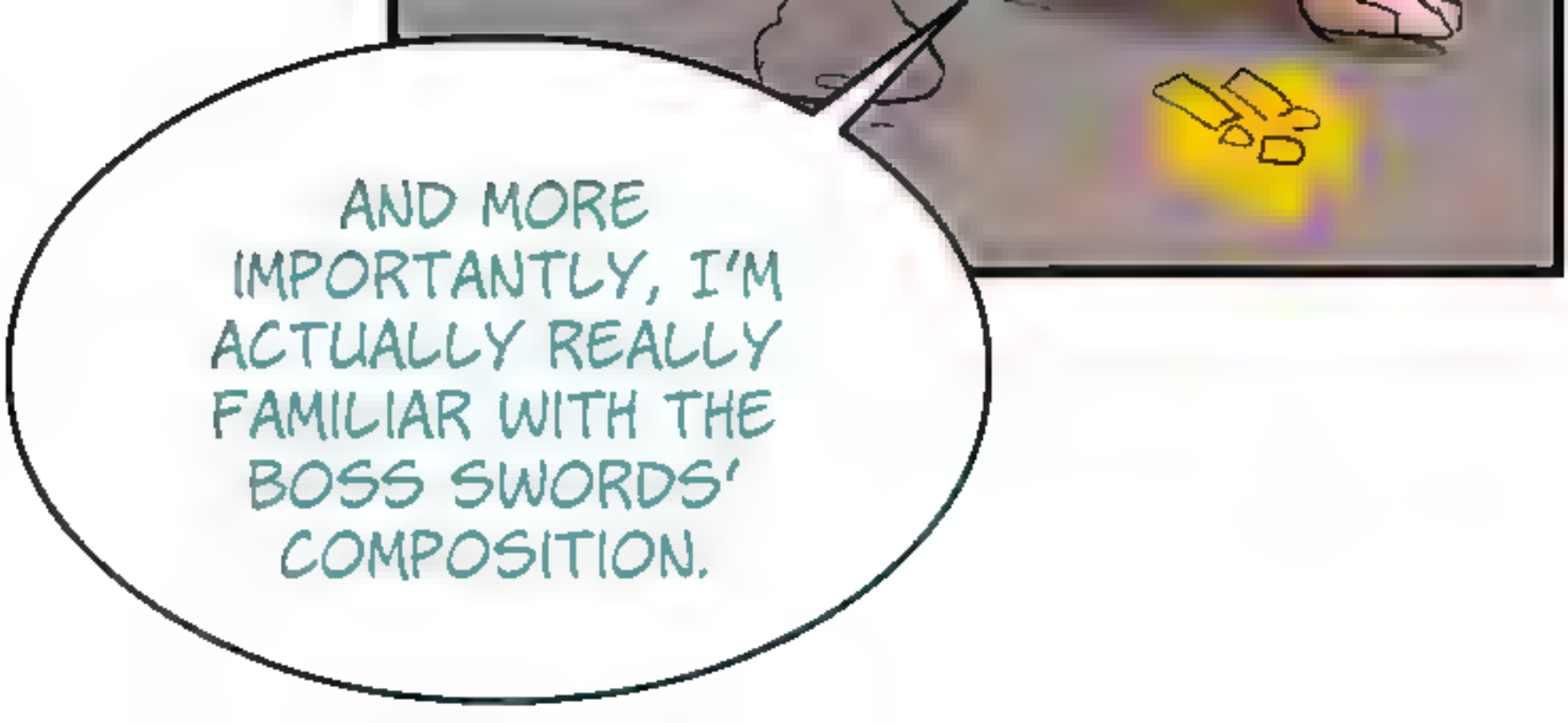
GASP!!
WHAT IS IT?
...I DEFINITELY KNOW WHAT THIS IS.

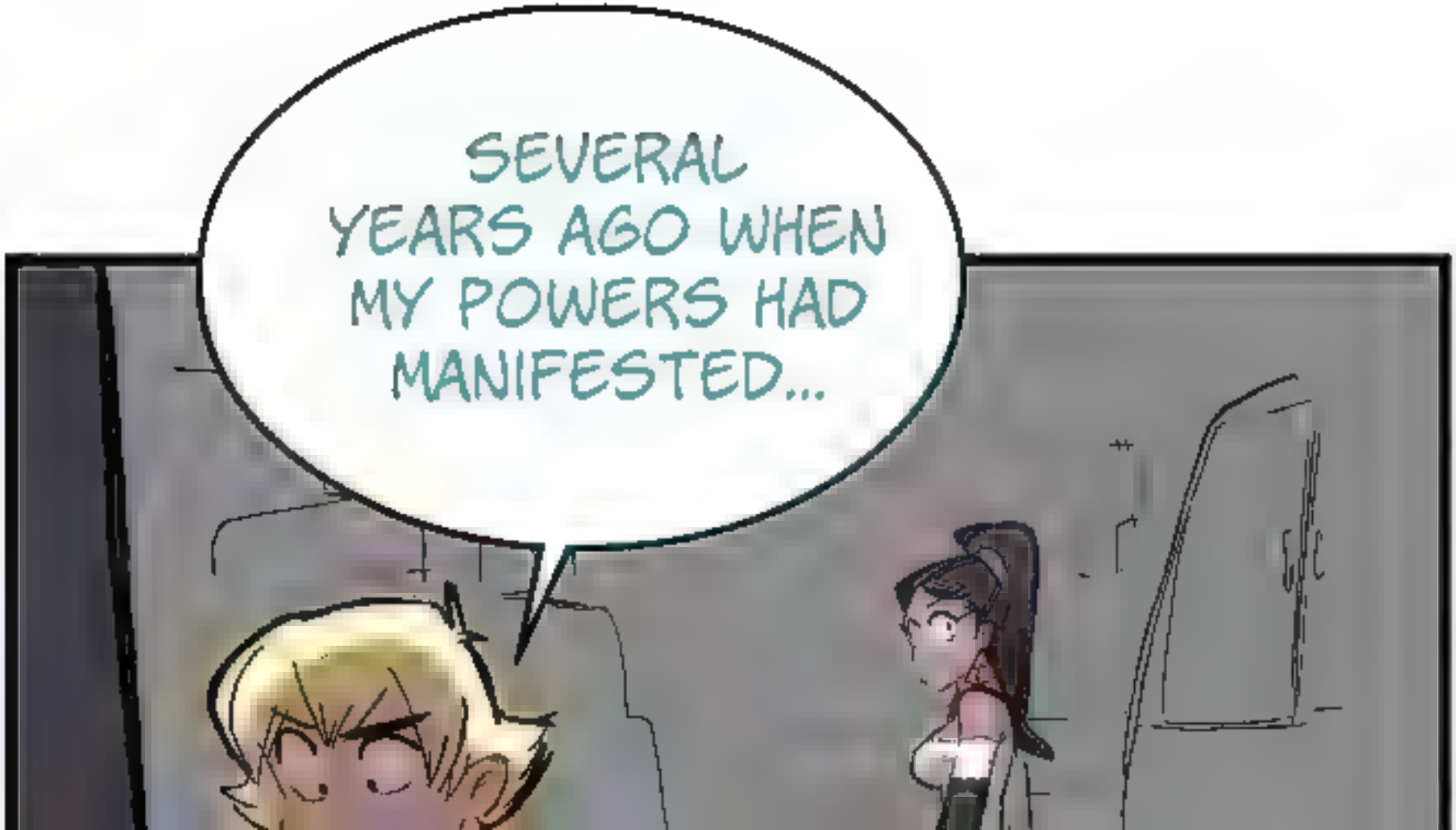
THIS IS A PIECE OF A BOSS SWORD!!

WHAT?!
ARE YOU
SURE?!

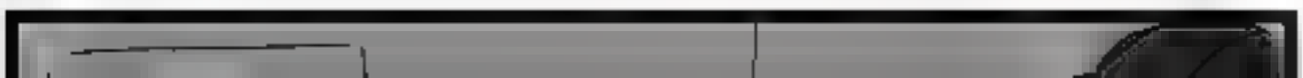

YEAH...
I CAN PULL THINGS APART UNTIL THEY BECOME THEIR MOST BASIC COMPONENTS...

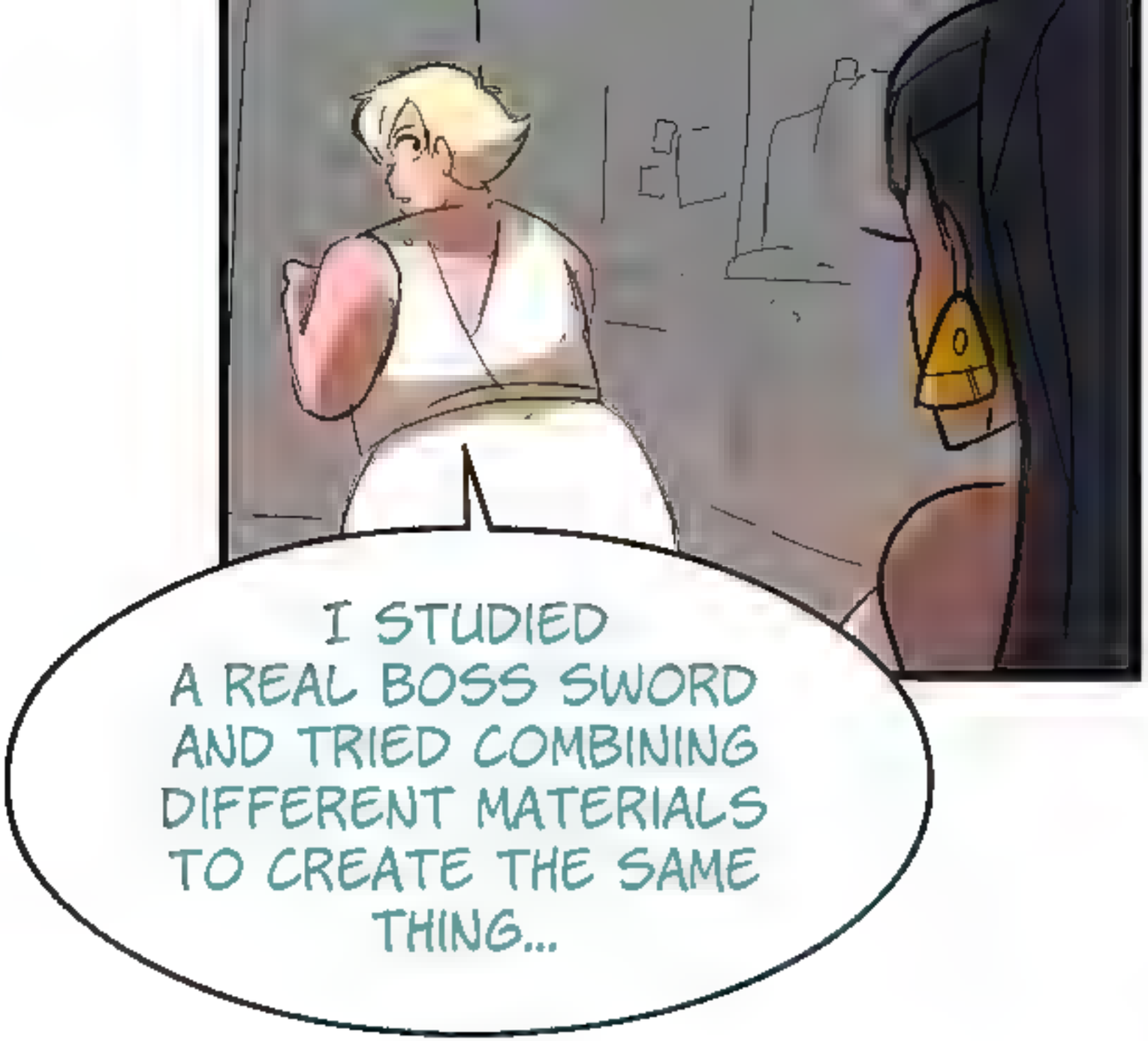

BUT
IT SEEMS
LIKE THIS OBJECT
IS JUST... THIS. IT
CAN'T BE FURTHER
DIVIDED.


AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, I'M ACTUALLY REALLY FAMILIAR WITH THE BOSS SWORDS' COMPOSITION.

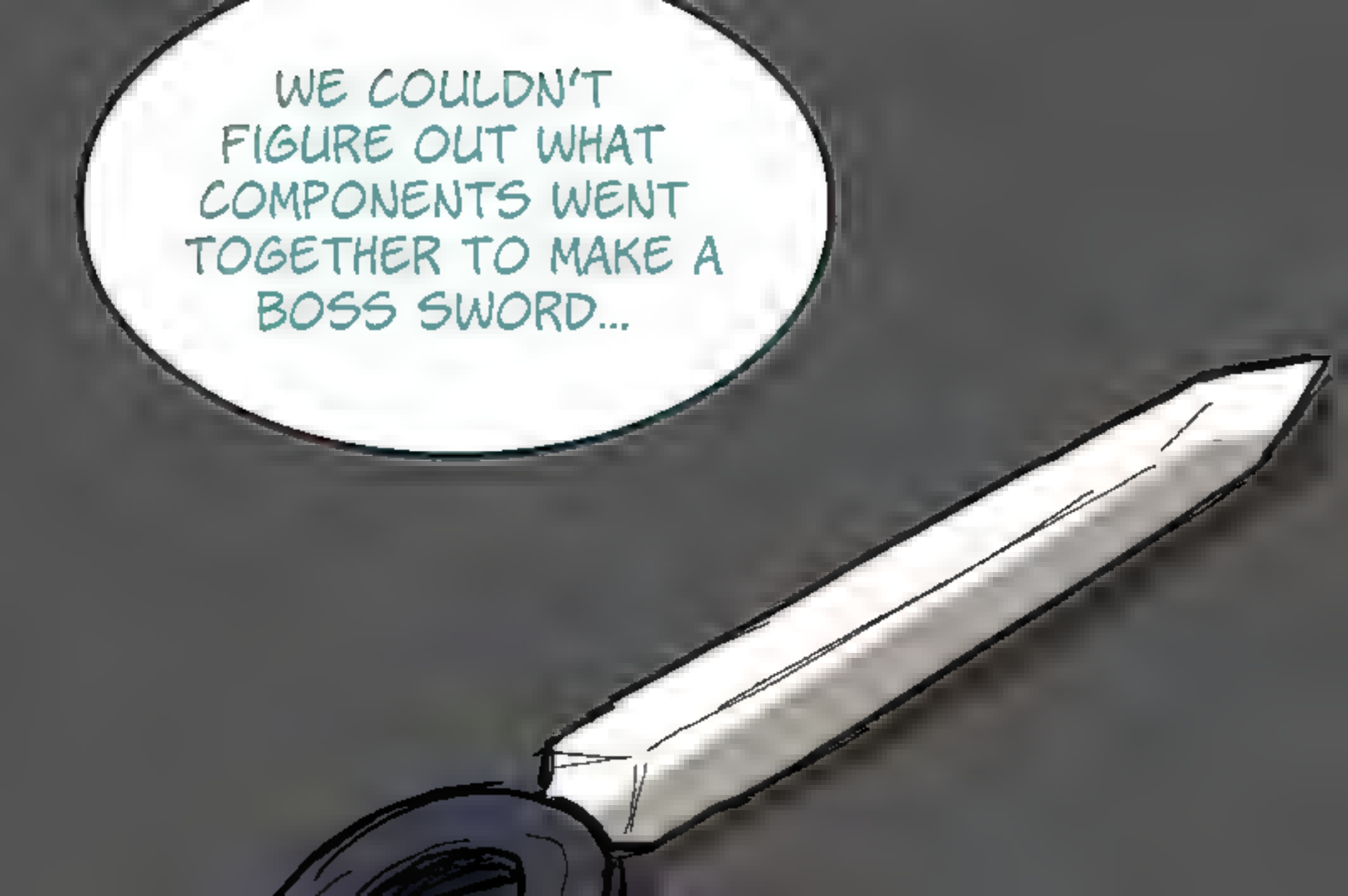

SEVERAL YEARS AGO WHEN MY POWERS HAD MANIFESTED...

WE WANTED TO KNOW IF IT WAS POSSIBLE TO USE THEM TO CREATE A BOSS SWORD.

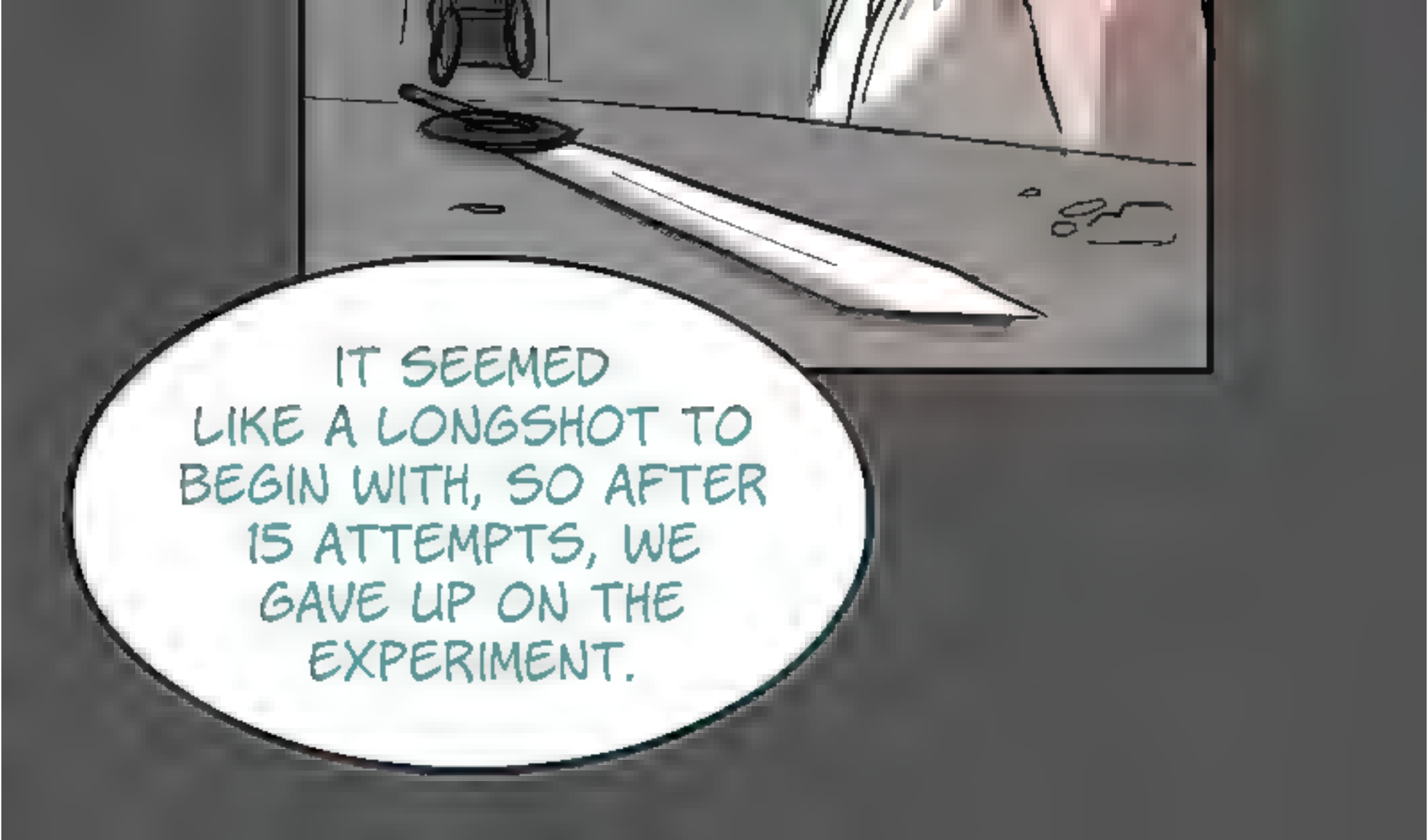



I STUDIED A REAL BOSS SWORD AND TRIED COMBINING DIFFERENT MATERIALS TO CREATE THE SAME THING...

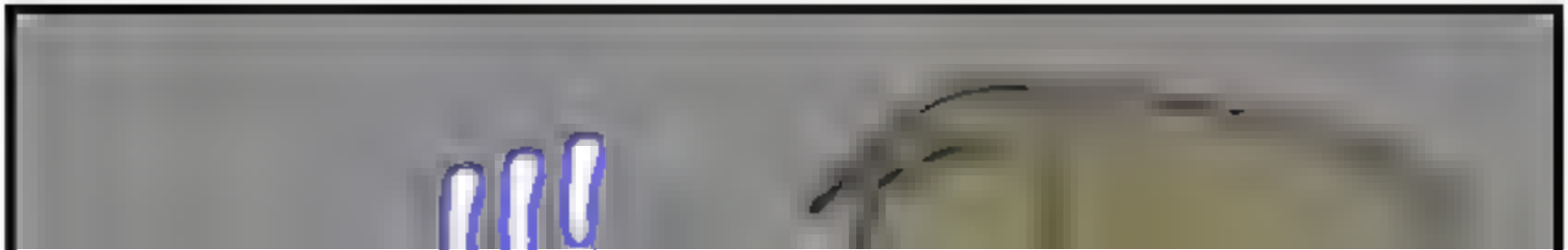
BUT
IT DIDN'T
WORK.

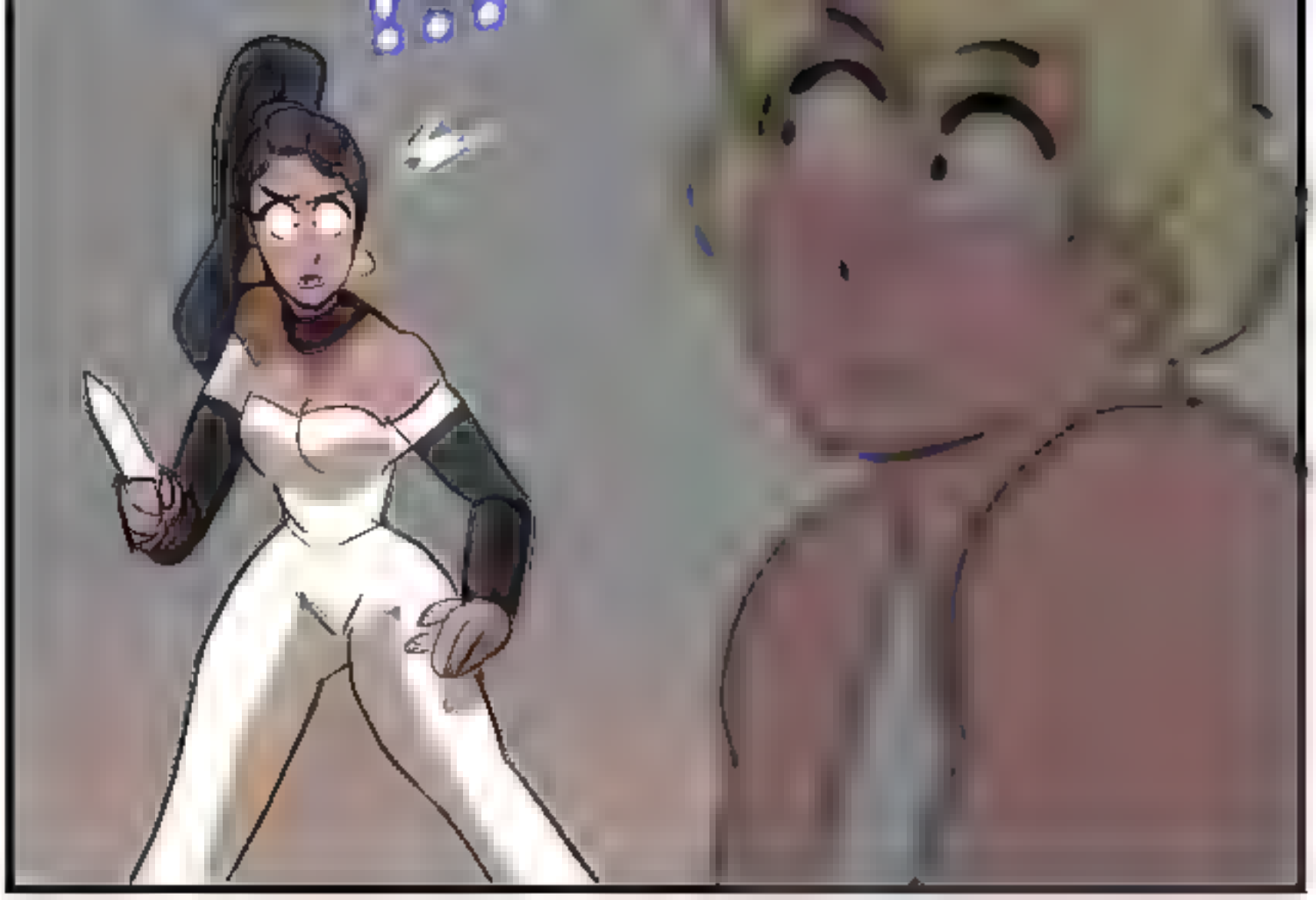

WE COULDN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT COMPONENTS WENT TOGETHER TO MAKE A BOSS SWORD...

AND THE REPLICAS NEVER REGISTERED ON THE COUNTER.


IT SEEMED LIKE A LONGSHOT TO BEGIN WITH, SO AFTER 15 ATTEMPTS, WE GAVE UP ON THE EXPERIMENT.

BUT I HELD ONTO THEM JUST IN CASE WE EVER FOUND SOMETHING THAT WOULD WORK...

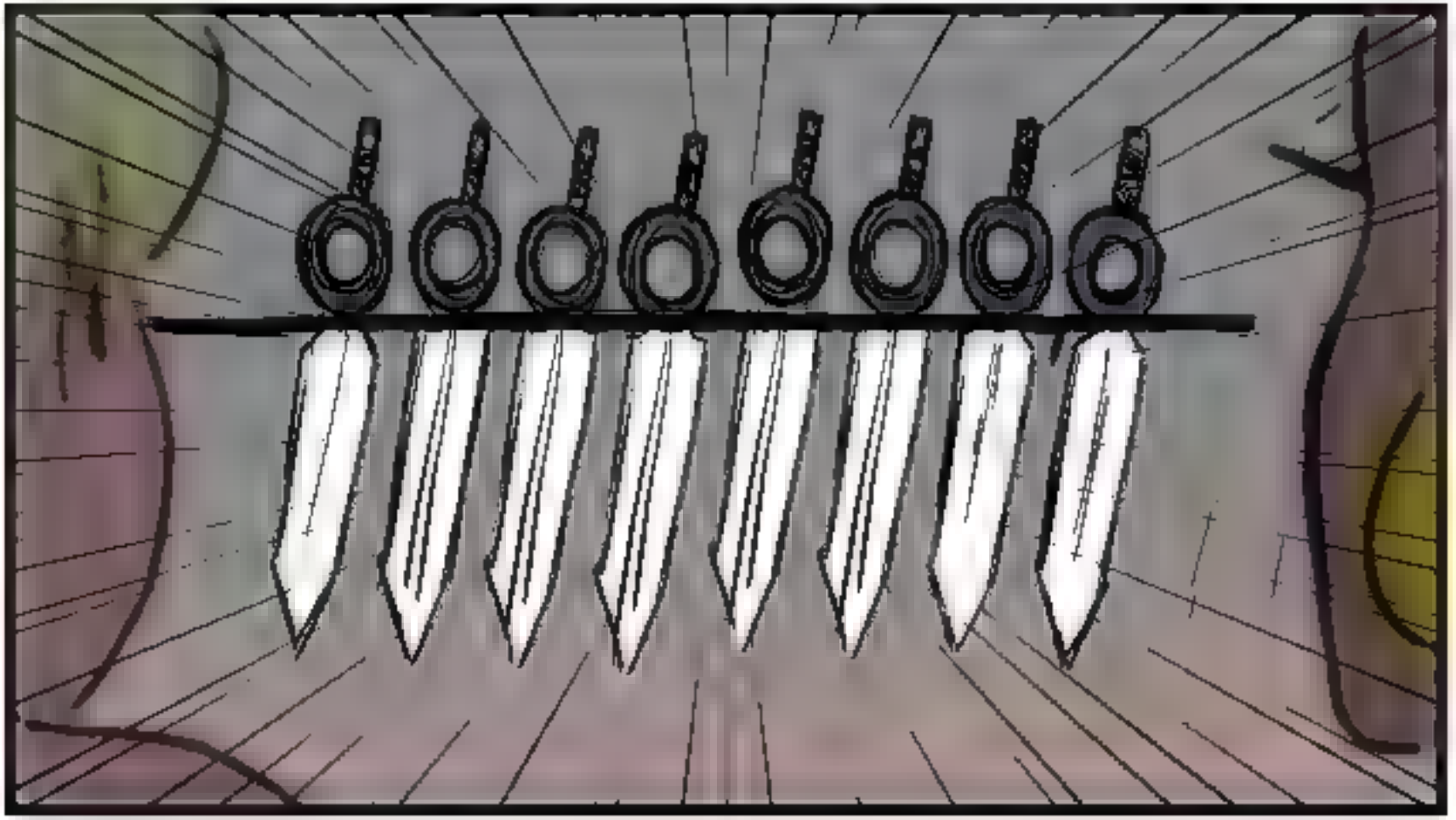




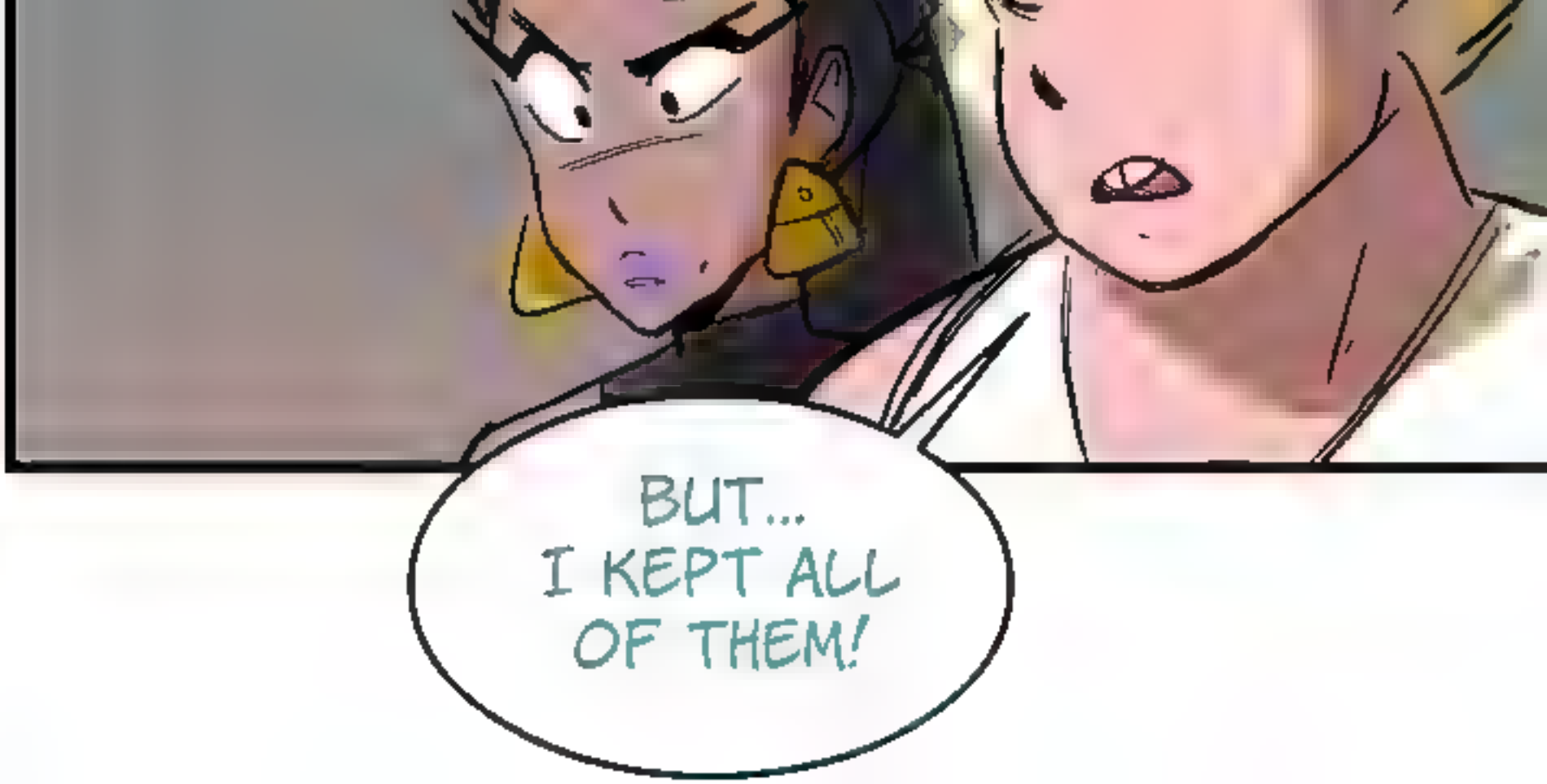
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU MADE 15?

YEAH, WE DID. WHY?

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OTHER SEVEN?
HUH? WHAT DO YOU MEAN?



ONLY
EIGHT OF THEM
ARE HERE!


BUT...
I KEPT ALL
OF THEM!

DO YOU THINK SOMEONE COULD HAVE FOUND THEM AND WANTED TO KEEP A FEW AS SOUVENIRS?
. . .

RAGAN JUST TOOK SEVEN SWORDS INTO THE REALM...
SOMETHING DEFINITELY FEELS OFF.

CAN YOU REMAKE THIS KNIFE?

I HAVE A FEELING WE'RE GOING TO NEED IT.

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